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PSC SETS INTERVENTION DEADLINE IN OZARK ENERGY PARTNERS REQUEST

JEFFERSON CITY—Ozark Energy Partners, LLC (Ozark Partners) has filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission seeking Commission authority to construct and operate an intrastate (within Missouri) natural gas pipeline and a natural gas company serving parts of Christian, Stone and Taney Counties.

According to the application, Ozark Partners is seeking franchises to serve the cities of Hollister, Reeds Spring, Branson, Branson West, Highlandville and Spokane. The company estimates the population of the proposed service area to be in excess of 70,000.

Applications to intervene and participate in this case must be filed no later than **July 25, 2006**, with the Secretary of the Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. Copies of the application should be sent to: William D. Steinmeier and Mary Ann (Garr) Young, WILLIAM D. STEINMEIER, P.C., 2031 Tower Drive, P.O. Box 104595, Jefferson City, Missouri 65110-4595; and the Office of the Public Counsel, P.O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

The Office of the Public Counsel is a separate state agency which represents the general public in matters before the Commission. Individual citizens wishing to comment should contact either the Office of the Public Counsel (Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Suite 650, P.O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, telephone 573-751-4857) or the Public Service Commission Staff (P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, telephone 1-800-392-4211).